

# Embassy of the United States of America Port Louis, Mauritius PRESS RELEASE

## Study in the U.S.: Opportunity Funds now available

**Port Louis, February 15, 2013:** For the first time, Opportunity Funds will be available for Mauritian students. We are confident in the quality of an American education, and are proud that each year, Mauritians attend some of our most prestigious institutions, yet we do realize that it comes at a cost. Yes, the student may be awarded financial aid from the university, but before they reach that level, they have to prepare a budget for application and after admission, a budget for travel. Costs may include testing fees, application fees, mailing fees, airfares, and so on.

We firmly believe that the US educational system has a place for every student; there is such a thing as the perfect fit. We also realize that some students, though brilliant, come from a disadvantaged background financially, and do need a little extra in order to complete the application process properly, and then be considered for admission and scholarship by the institution. We are therefore very excited to announce Opportunity Funds for the year 2013. We are reserving the applications for undergraduate students only, which means those who want to pursue a Bachelors degree and priority will be given to the members of Advising Centre.

### **Career Fair in Curepipe**

If you want you want to know more about the Opportunity Funds and study possibilities in the United States, you can come to the Townhall of Curepipe next Wednesday, the 20<sup>th</sup> of February. The Embassy of the United States of America and EducationUSA Mauritius will be hosting a Career Fair where you will be able to go through some documentation, ask questions to the Education Adviser of EducationUSA Mauritius and talk to alumni of U.S. Universities.

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### **American Corner**

Harper Lee Center Carnegie Library, Curepipe

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Hours: Monday - Friday, 9am - 4pm

Useful websites: www.mauritius.usembassy.gov, www.educationusa.info, Facebook

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